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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Federal Communications Commission

1919 M. Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: FCC Docket 92-235

Dear Sirs:

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The Board of County Commissioners, Cotton County, Oklahoma have been advised that the Federal Communications Commission has proposed a rule that would limit radio frequencies available for two-way communication, and limit the power of base stations. The National Association of County Engineers reports that the regulation would require complete replacement of our radio systems by 1996.

Our county highway department as well as our county Sheriff's department use two-way radios daily. According to the NACE, these departments will either have to accept reduced coverage or replace all their mobiles, portables and base stations. Again, the NACE reports that the equipment required by this regulation is not currently available. The enormous cost of such replacement would have a disastrous effect on our county highway finances.

We encourage the Federal Communications Commission to review this proposed regulation and consider the burden they would be placing on small counties with extremely limited budgets.

Sincerely,

Cotton County Board of Commissioners

D.D. Newsom, Chairman

Rick Bradley, Member

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